News from Representative Randy Hultgren



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Get Assistance at My Senior Resource Fair in October

I invite all seniors and their families to attend my upcoming Senior Resource Fair, a one-stop-shop to get the answers and assistance you need.

In addition to my staff, <u>click here for the full list of federal agencies</u> and <u>local service organizations</u> who will be on hand to offer assistance and answer questions.



In and Around the District

I always enjoy visiting our local ESOPs (businesses owned by the employees that work there). Parksite, Inc., a building material distribution company in Batavia, understands that employees with a stake in their company have a sense of ownership over details large and small. They believe in old fashioned blood, sweat and tears. This ownership makes a real difference to their bottom line and their quality of life.

Protecting these employers and jobs is why I will continue to support our employee-owned businesses in Illinois, including through legislation like my Encouraging Employee Ownership Act.



(Rep. Hultgren with Parksite employee)

Did you know nearly all Americans live within five miles of a community pharmacy? During my discussion with pharmacy staff at Jewel-Osco we identified value in color-coding caps for painkiller opioids, a campaign we hope could spread across the country to increase awareness about proper storage and disposal of opioid

drugs. In addition, realtors can spot these red-capped drugs prior to open houses and secure them. Learn more about my fight against heroin and opioids here: https://hultgren.house.gov/heroin.



(Rep. Hultgren discusses opioid addiction prevention with Jewel-Osco in McHenry)

Local Beekeeper Wins Big at State Fair

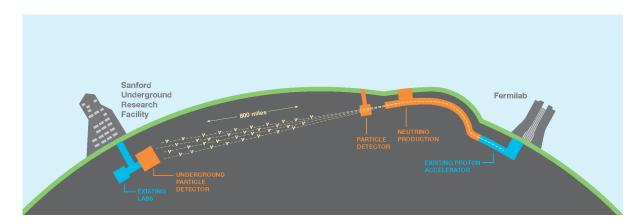
I was thrilled to meet SciTech's Beekeeper, Angie Nelson from Elburn, who won first place/Best in State for her honey at the state fair in Springfield. Angie's win comes in the category of honey comb honey: 2 ½ pound square chunk honey which is part cut comb/part liquid honey.

READ MORE on this great story celebrating local achievement: http://www.kcchronicle.com/2017/08/27/beekeeper-wins-award-after-first-year-of-cutting-honeycomb/abyyf3k/



(Rep. Hultgren celebrates with Angela Nelson of Elburn)

UK Commits \$88 Million to Fermilab DUNE Experiment



Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory attracts top talent, employing nearly 2,000 in Illinois and providing a strong economic engine in our state. I welcome the United Kingdom's pledge this week of \$88M for the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE), hosted by Fermilab. This international project, at its peak creating nearly 2,000 jobs in Illinois, will be the largest experiment in the United States to study subatomic particles known as neutrinos.

With this experiment, Illinois will also maintain the exceptional scientific workforce that drives innovation throughout the economy, fostering a ripple effect of new jobs and life-improving technologies with it. I commend the work done by Director Lockyer, the Department of Energy, and all partners involved for making this complex international partnership a reality. I also thank UK Minister of State for Universities and Science, Jo Johnson, for his work in furthering the special relationship between the United States and United Kingdom.

- In <u>June of 2014</u>, I hosted Director Lockyer before the Science, Space and Technology Committee to discuss the newly proposed plan for DUNE and the Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility (LBNF).
- In <u>August of 2016</u>, I advocated for meetings between the United States and the United Kingdom to advance the project.
- In <u>July of 2017</u>, I attended the groundbreaking of the LBNF in South Dakota, the partner facility to Fermilab in the DUNE experiment.

Announcing My Second STEM Scholars Class

Our first STEM Scholars program last year was a resounding success, and I can't wait to get started with this new class of 27 talented and enthusiastic students who are interested in exploring and promoting science, technology, engineering and math. Our upcoming hands-on learning experiences and in-depth discussions with STEM professionals will help spark their imaginations for the possibilities and careers in STEM fields, and propel them to encourage others to do the same.

I have also enlisted five Student STEM Advisors to mentor students and enhance the continuity and organization of the program. I look forward to learning alongside our next generation of leaders this upcoming year.

Click here for the full list of students.

Enter the Congressional App Challenge







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SUBMISSION DEADLINE

November 1, 2017 @ NOON EST

The annual Congressional App Challenge for high school students in the 14th Congressional District has launched! We'll be accepting submissions through November 1, 2017. The competition is designed to engage students' creativity and encourage their participation in STEM education fields, allowing students to compete by creating and exhibiting their software application, or "app," for mobile, tablet or computer devices on a platform of their choice. Students may work in groups of up to four members to learn and grow as a team.

Click here for more details and to submit your app.

Combating Human Trafficking

Human trafficking holds an estimated 21 million people in bondage. Check out a Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission hearing I cochaired on how the U.S. State Department, Congress, businesses, NGOs and human rights organizations are partnering together to combat it and make a difference for some of the most afflicted people around the world.



(Click picture to watch video)

Legislative Update

- This week the Senate passed my bipartisan legislation, <u>H.R.</u>
 3110, the <u>Financial Stability Oversight Council Insurance</u>
 <u>Member Continuity Act</u>, and it now sits on the President's desk after passing the House earlier this month. Look for an update on its progress soon.
- This week I sent a letter to Speaker Ryan in support of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), the federal funding for which expires on September 30. A lapse in funding would mean a lapse in health coverage for 9 million children nationally, and 250,000 children in Illinois. CHIP has historically been a bipartisan program. It's good for our kids and financially responsible for the federal government. Click here to read my

<u>letter</u>.

- Many small banks and credit unions in Illinois, focused on serving local businesses and rural communities, have been fit with regulatory straitjackets designed for big banks, causing them to reduce lending, merge with competitors or shut down all together. I have made it a priority to support pro-community bank and credit union legislation. This Congress I have, so far, acted as an original cosponsor of the following key legislation:
 - H.R. 2133, the Community Lending Enhancement and Regulatory Relief (CLEARR) Act of 2017, provides regulatory relief to community financial institutions through a myriad of reforms such as clarifying fair lending standards, amending the mortgage servicing and appraisal rules and providing relief from new mortgage reporting requirements.
 - H.R. 2226, the Portfolio Lending and Mortgage
 Access Act, provides legal certainty to financial
 institutions that originate residential mortgage loans
 and hold them on their portfolio.
 - H.R. 1116, the Taking Account of Institutions with Low Operation Risk (TAILOR) Act of 2017, requires the federal regulators to take risk profiles and business models of financial institutions into account when taking regulatory actions.
 - H.R. 2553, the Taking Account of Bureaucrats'
 Spending (TABS) Act of 2017, makes the Consumer
 Financial Protection Bureau more accountable by placing it under Congressional appropriations.
 - H.R. 2706, the Financial Institution Customer
 Protection Act of 2017, reins in the misuse of
 political power by an administration and our financial
 regulators to "choke off" relationships with legitimate
 businesses such as gun shops and coin dealers.
 - H.R. 1457, the Making Online Banking Initiation Legal and Easy (MOBILE) Act of 2017, makes it easier for financial institutions to open new customer accounts by permitting them to "swipe" the machine readable zone on state issued identification cards.

POW/MIA Recognition Day

September 15 was POW/MIA Recognition Day. We must continue to honor the sacrifices of our American prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action.



In Your Service,

Randy Hultgren

Member of Congress 14th District, Illinois

Randy in the News

- Beekeeper wins award after first year of cutting honeycomb (Kane County Chronicle)
- Congressman Randy Hultgren Discusses Help for the Opioid Epidemic and More (1440 WROK)
- Congressmen Say They Will Seek Federal Assistance in Kendall CAT Closure (WSPY News)
- Finding new life for Aurora Cat plant a 'regional challenge' (Aurora Beacon-News)
- House approves Hultgren bill to strengthen Financial Stability Oversight Council (The Ripon Advance)
- Hultgren asks FEMA to help in Kane, McHenry, Lake and Cook counties (Daily Herald)
- Hultgren pushes for CHIP funding ahead of looming expiration (Daily Herald)
- Hultgren: Don't play partisan games with financial reforms (Illinois News Network)
- Lawmakers pressure Trump to let Central Americans stay in the US (McClatchy)
- Roskam, Hultgren and LaHood Vote No on Debt Limit Package (Illinois Review)



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